

**REMARKS**

In the Office Action mailed September 26, 2006, the Examiner noted that claims 1-23 were pending, allowed claims 1-12 and 23, and rejected claims 13-22. No claims have been amended, claims 13-22 have been canceled, and, thus, in view of the forgoing claims 1-12 and 23 remain pending for reconsideration which is requested.

It is submitted that claims 1-12 and 23 continue to be allowable. It is further submitted that the claims are not taught, disclosed or suggested by the prior art. The claims are therefore in a condition suitable for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance is requested.

If any further fees, other than and except for the issue fee, are necessary with respect to this paper, the U.S.P.T.O. is requested to obtain the same from deposit account number 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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